

ST. JOHN THE DIVINE ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Holy Eucharist
Sunday March 15th, 2026
Forth Sunday of Lent



***We are a church in the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets,
following Christ with renewed hearts, renewed spirits,
and as a renewed people.***

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"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life." - John 8.12

Processional Hymn:

Welcome & Acknowledgment of Land

Call to Worship:

I arise today through the strength of heaven, **the light of the sun, the radiance of the moon, the splendour of fire. Amen**
(St. Patrick's Confession "Book of Armagh")

(We prepare our hearts for worship in silence)

The Gathering of the Community (Service begins on p. 185)

Gloria p.186

Kyrie Eleison p. 186

Collect: Almighty God, through the waters of baptism your Son has made us children of light. May we ever walk in his light and show forth your glory in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word (Led by Kathleen Bell)

First Reading: 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

PSALM 23 **R: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.**

Second Reading: EPHESIANS 5:8-14

Gradual Hymn:

The Gospel: JOHN 9:1-41

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Homily:

The Nicene Creed p.188

Prayers of the People (Led by Patrick Warden)

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace: p. 192

Offertory Hymn:

Prayer over the Gifts: God of light, your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory. Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharist prayer #1 p.193

The Lord's Prayer p. 211 (sung)

The Breaking of the Bread (prayer # 2) p. 212

The Communion (*all are welcome to receive communion, or a blessing at the altar*)

Communion Hymn: (*parish remains seated*)

Prayer after Communion: Father, through your goodness we receive your Son in word and sacrament. May we always have faith in him, Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Poetry Reading (by Pam Wilkinson)

Doxology: **Glory to God whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we could ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church, and in Christ Jesus. Amen**

The Blessing

The Dismissal p. 215

Closing Hymn:

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*All are welcome to join us in the hall after the service
for a fellowship & refreshments*

We gratefully acknowledge the generous grant received from the Anglican Foundation of Canada toward the renovation of our church kitchen.

Announcements:

- March Outreach Focus: St. John's Celtic Ministries
- Parishioners wanting Name Tags please let the greeters know.
- Chair Yoga, Tues & Wed, 11:30am – noon, hall \$5
- Today's Celtic Evening Prayer, CANCELLED
- Blessing Boutique: Mondays, 9am-1pm, hall, need men's/women's clothing
- DONATIONS NEEDED Blessing Box, non-perishable food items

SJD Sunday Quote:

“The most important thing about a person is not what they know but what they care about.”

– Mary Midgley

Notes about the Service:

- Offering plate at the greeters table in the Narthex. (Red Hat offerings for monthly outreach focus)
- Hymns are found in the Common Praise (blue hymn book in the pews); if the lyrics not printed in bulletin.
- Our liturgy (prayers) are mostly taken from the Book of Alternative Service (BAS- green book in pews) To follow along with the service, refer to page numbers OR for simplified version see small blue booklet (The Holy Eucharist) beginning on page 3.
- All are welcome to take communion (we practice an open table)
- Children's area is at the back of the church. We welcome the sound of children in this space. If you have any questions about the service, the greeters would be happy to help.